

**KEENE STATE COLLEGE
BACHELOR OF ARTS
COMMUNICATION
PHILOSOPHY OPTION**

It is the student's responsibility to follow the official requirements of the degree, found in the Keene State College catalog. This planning sheet is for advising purposes.

Name: _____ Student I.D.
#: _____
Institution(s)
Attended: _____ Credits: _____

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I. **GENERAL EDUCATION** 42 credits minimum

A. **English Language Competence: Eng 101 is required of all students.**

ENG 101: _____

B. **Arts & Humanities:** A minimum of five courses totaling at least 15 credits as follows:

One course in Literature

One course in literature, which may be any 200 or 300-level English course except 202, 203, 204, 208, 301, 302, 303, 304, 308, 312. FR 303 and Spanish 303 may also be used to fulfill this requirement.

HIST _____ ART, FILM, MU or TAD _____

Two courses from Arts & Humanities disciplines: AMST, ART, COMM, ENG, FILM, FR, GER, HIST, JRN, ML, MU, PHIL, SP, TAD or an approved interdisciplinary course (WS 201* or an IDAH course).

C. **Social Sciences:** A minimum of four courses totaling at least 12 credits in **three** or More of the Social Science disciplines: ECON, GEOG, POSC, PSYC, SOC or an approved interdisciplinary course (WS 201* or an IDSS course).

D. **Sciences/Math:** A minimum of four courses totaling at least 12 credits as follows: One course in BIOLOGY. One course in a PHYSICAL SCIENCE (ASTR, CHEM, GEOL, MET, PHYS). Two courses from Sciences/Math disciplines: ASTR, BIO, CHEM, CS, ENST, GEOL, MATH, MET, PHYS or an approved interdisciplinary course (designated IDSM).

BIO _____ PHYSICAL SCIENCE _____

* WS 201 may be used only once, to fulfill either an Arts & Humanities or Social Science General Education requirement.

II. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS 39 CREDITS

Courses taken for the Communications major may not count toward the Arts and Humanities component (B) of General Education. However, students may take additional courses in Communication, Film, Journalism or Philosophy to fulfill specific Arts & Humanities requirements of General Education. Communication majors may minor in Journalism, Philosophy or Film and count courses used for the major toward a minor, however credits may not count twice.

The application for formal admission to the Communication major typically occurs during the first or second semester of the sophomore year. To be admitted to the major, the student must have completed COMM 175, PHIL 100, and either JRN 200 or FILM 270. The student must earn a grade of at least a C in the three courses and achieve an average GPA of at least 2.5 in the three courses. The student must provide a transcript showing his or her grades to a Communication advisor. If the grade requirements are met; the advisor will sign the declaration of major form, which formally admits the student to the major.

Majors must demonstrate proficiency in a modern language other than English. This may be done through either satisfactory completion of a standardized exam (e.g. department exam, CLEP, AP) or by satisfactory completion of one semester of a modern language at the intermediate level or higher. Courses taken to complete this requirement may be used to fulfill Arts & Humanities General Education requirements.

Communication Core (12 credits)

FOUNDATIONS OF THE MAJOR 6 credits

PHIL 100: Logical Argumentation _____ 3
COMM 175: Prin. of Communication _____ 3

INTRODUCTION TO AREA STUDIES 6 credits

FILM 270: Introduction Film Analysis _____ 3
JRN 200: Intro to Mass Media _____ 3

ETHICS: Select one of the following: 3 credits

PHIL 220: Ethics _____ 3

THEORY & APPLICATION SEQUENCE: 9 credits

PHIL 306: Existentialism _____ 3
PHIL 350: Aesthetics _____ 3
PHIL406: Existentialism and Film _____ 3

BREADTH COURSES Two (2) courses required, one from the PHIL, one from COMM, FILM, or JRN 6 credits*

COMM 171: Fundamentals of Speech	_____ 3	JRN 301: Newswriting II	_____ 3
COMM 250: Children and the Media	_____ 3	JRN 302: Broadcast Journalism	_____ 3
COMM 275: Interpersonal Comm.	_____ 3	PHIL 300: Ancient Philosophy	_____ 3
COMM 290: Special Topics	_____ 3	PHIL 301: Medieval & Renaissance Phil.	_____ 3
COMM 371: Advanced Pub. Speaking	_____ 3	PHIL 302: Modern Philosophy	_____ 3
COMM 375: Bus. & Prof. Comm.	_____ 3	PHIL 304: American Philosophy	_____ 3
FILM 352: Genres and Directors	_____ 3	PHIL 308: Contemporary Philosophy	_____ 3
FILM 353: Topics in Independent Film	_____ 3	PHIL 360: Philosophy of Law	_____ 3
JRN 290: Special Topics	_____ 3		
JRN 201: News Writing I	_____ 3		

DEPTH COURSES Two (2) courses required from the following: 6 credits*

PHIL 390: Philosophic Masters _____ 3
PHIL 490: Advanced Special Topics _____ 3
PHIL 498: Independent Study _____ 3

SENIOR PROJECT

Students majoring in Communication with the Philosophy Option may take COMM 479 Senior Project with any faculty member. They must work with a faculty member from Philosophy who agrees to act as project advisor in consultation with the course instructor.

COMM 479: Senior Project _____ 3

*Courses taken to fulfill any other major requirement may not be used to fulfill this requirement.

III. ELECTIVES: minimum 39 credits

If you wish to use transferred courses toward major/minor requirements you must use the course substitution process. Contact the Academic and Career Advising Center for more information.